

Beaver County
Beaver, UT 87413
July 5, 2005

The Board of County Commissioners met on July 5, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. for its regularly scheduled meeting. Those present were Mark S. Whitney, Chairman; William L. Dalton, Member; Chad W. Johnson, Member; Bryan L. Harris, Commission Assistant; Von J. Christiansen, Attorney; and Paul B. Barton, Clerk/Auditor.

Minutes of the June 6 & 20, 2005 meetings were read. It was moved by Comm. Dalton, seconded by Comm. Johnson and unanimously passed to approve the minutes.

The July 24th holiday was discussed. Under the personnel policy, if the holiday falls on a Sunday, the legal holiday goes to the following Monday. The official celebration is on Saturday with activities on Friday. It was the consensus of the Board to change the holiday to Friday for this year only if it is the consensus of the employees.

Craig Davis, Building Inspector, met with the Board to discuss increasing building permit fees. It was moved by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Dalton and unanimously approved to increase the fees to the 2002 building valuation date schedule. Mr. Davis will check on rates charged by the surrounding counties and Beaver City and report back to the Board at the July 18, 2005 meeting.

Doug Erickson, Road Supervisor, met with the Board to discuss issues in the Road Department. The tank at the Milford Shed is leaking. Mr. Harris will try to locate a replacement tank and advertise for bids for the containment basin.

Equipment needs were discussed. It was moved by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Dalton and unanimously approved to declare the belly-dump pup trailer and road leveler. A minimum bid on the pup will be set at \$20,000.00.

Mr. Erickson has had requests for the County to do work in the Beaver River channel. Mr. Harris will contact the Army Corp. of Engineers to inspect the channel and make recommendations.

Mr. Christiansen has received a letter from David J. Winterton re: damage to the Greg Marshall farm. After discussing the issue, it was the consensus of the Board to take no action.

The Laho road was discussed. Under an agreement with Circle Four Farms, the County has agreed to chip/seal the road. The Board does not feel that this is the best use of county funds. It was the consensus of the Board to try to renegotiate the agreement. The County has also had unexpected expenditures and additional time spent fighting floods.

The M&M Road Project was discussed. Mr. Harris will contact the engineer and setup a project status meeting.

Todd Marshall, Dean Eyre, Rodney Carter, Dean Carter, Blake Marshall, Wade Weldert, Lynda Bradshaw, Pat Yardley and Rodney Marshall met with the Board to discuss open range problems between property owners and livestock owners. The central issue is that the cattlemen cannot afford to fence range ground on public lands. An amendment to the fencing ordinance will be prepared and set for public hearing.

It was moved by Comm. Dalton, seconded by Comm. Johnson and unanimously approved to sign the CDBG Grant Agreement on the Milford Senior Center.

The Board discussed the formation of an Employee Advisory Committee to discuss issues such as employee benefits. It was moved by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Dalton and unanimously approved to appoint the following people to the committee: Maureen Beutler, Cody Black, Tyler Fails, Trent Brown and Russell Gale. Comm. Whitney will chair the committee with Leo Kanell acting as legal counsel and Paul Barton as clerk.

A letter from UDOT re: a guardrail on a county road near Pine Creek. The guardrail will be donated to the county but must be removed from its present location by July 31, 2005. Mr. Harris will contact UDOT officials about an extension of time to remove the railing.

It was moved by Comm. Dalton, seconded by Comm. Johnson and unanimously approved to sign the Mosquito Control Grant contract.

Lynn Elliott and Lucille Strong met with the Board to review bids on the Historic Courthouse. The project only received one bid. The total bid including all alternatives is \$624,300 which is more than twice as much as the engineer's estimate. After discussion, it was moved by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Dalton and unanimously approved to reject the bid and rebid the demolition of the jail addition, shingle roof prep & re-roofing, and woodwork stabilization. The Board will also ask for an extension of time on the ADA grant.

Bills on file were approved for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED _____
Chairman

Clerk/Auditor

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The Board of County Commissioners met on July 18, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. for its regularly scheduled work meeting. Those present were Mark S. Whitney, Chairman; William L. Dalton, Member; Chad W. Johnson, Member; Von J. Christiansen, Attorney; Bryan L. Harris, Commission Assistant; and Paul B. Barton, Clerk/Auditor.

Charles "Walt" McGinley met with the Board on behalf of Western Utah Copper Co. to discuss the closure of county roads near the mine northwest of Milford. The roads are known as the OK Mine Road, the Upper Bowana Bench Road, and the Bowana Pass Road. A public hearing will be held on September 6, 2005 on the requested closure.

Comm. Whitney discussed the need to post weight limits on designated county roads. The main problem is when a road is being used as a haul route and has repeated use by multiple vehicles. Mr. Harris will check with surrounding counties for possible examples of fees, alternate routes, etc. for the Board's review.

The health care service in the Milford/Minersville area was discussed. Mr. Harris will send a letter to the doctors currently providing the service regarding the need to locate a doctor/physician's assistant in the Milford area. A copy of the letter will be sent to the Beaver Hospital Board and the Milford Healthcare District Board.

The Board discussed the future of the Minersville Reservoir Park. Mr. Harris will check on the status of the legislation to transfer ownership to Beaver County. Also, the Board was concerned about weeds, trash, etc. problems at the park. Mr. Harris stated that he has been contacted by the Forest Service with an idea of contracting the service to a private vendor. Mr. Harris will invite the Forest Service to the next commission meeting.

Bruce Richeson and Bryan Thiriot, from Senator Robert Bennett's office, met with the Board to discuss the possible closure of the local Farm Service Agency office. A meeting has been set with Sen. Bennett for July 22, 2005 at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Harris gave an update on the Historic Courthouse restoration project and presented a funds certification for the CDBG grant. It was moved by Comm. Dalton, seconded by Comm. Johnson and unanimously approved to sign the certification. This would allow pay withdrawals from the grant when bills are incurred.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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